

From: Jennifer Newby jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Fwd: concerned
Date: August 16, 2023 at 7:46 PM
To: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us



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From: **Rogers, Lisa A.** <Lisa.Rogers3@uky.edu>
Date: Tue, Aug 15, 2023 at 3:17 PM
Subject: concerned
To: jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us <jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us>

Sent from Mail for Windows

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Respectfully,

Lisa A. Rogers

From: eric6lewis@gmail.com
Subject: SB150 and Library Censorship
Date: August 16, 2023 at 11:12 AM
To: jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us



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To: <jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us>

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From: Laura Weddle laura.weddle@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Fwd: Concerned
Date: August 17, 2023 at 6:59 PM
To: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us



Laura Weddle

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Rogers, Lisa A." <Lisa.Rogers3@uky.edu>
Date: August 15, 2023 at 3:24:16 PM EDT
To: laura.weddle@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Concerned

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From: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us

Subject: Fwd: Concerned

Date: August 18, 2023 at 4:51 PM

To: lisa.rogers3@uky.edu

Cc: Laura Weddle laura.weddle@boyle.kyschools.us, Jennifer Newby jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us

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	BOYLE COUNTY SCHOOLS	E: mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us
	SUPERINTENDENT	A: 101 Citation Drive - Suite C
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Subject: Fwd: SB150 and Library Censorship
Date: August 18, 2023 at 4:53 PM
To: eric6lewis@gmail.com
Cc: Laura Weddle laura.weddle@boyle.kyschools.us



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From: Augustine Chapin <chapina1144@gmail.com>
Date: August 17, 2023 at 8:00:51 AM EDT
To: laura.weddle@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Concerned parent

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From: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Fwd: Concerned parent
Date: August 18, 2023 at 4:55 PM
To: chapina1144@gmail.com
Cc: Laura Weddle laura.weddle@boyle.kyschools.us



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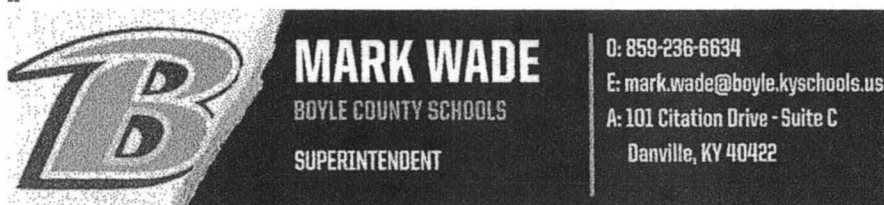
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From: Katy Neyhouse kneyhouse@gmail.com
Subject: Library Books and SB150
Date: August 16, 2023 at 7:09 PM
To: jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us



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From: Jennifer Newby jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Fwd: Library Books and SB150
Date: August 16, 2023 at 7:48 PM
To: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us



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Date: Wed, Aug 16, 2023 at 7:09 PM
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Subject: Fwd: Library Books and SB150
Date: August 18, 2023 at 5:05 PM
To: knehouse@gmail.com
Cc: Jennifer Newby jennifer.newby@boyle.kyschools.us



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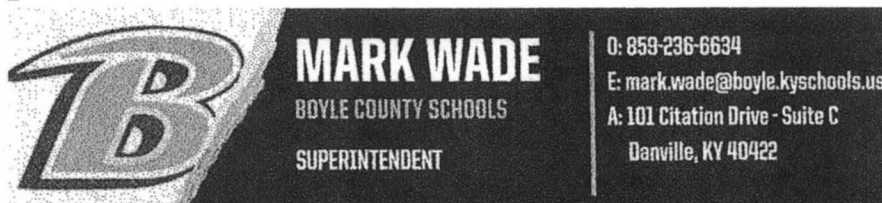
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Subject: Re: Library Books and SB150
Date: August 19, 2023 at 1:46 PM
To: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us



Thank you very much for your response, Mr. Wade. I appreciate you explaining the process to me and for letting me know that you all are in the process of reconsidering some of the materials that were pulled.

I hope you have a great school year!

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On Fri, Aug 18, 2023 at 5:05 PM Mark Wade <mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us> wrote:
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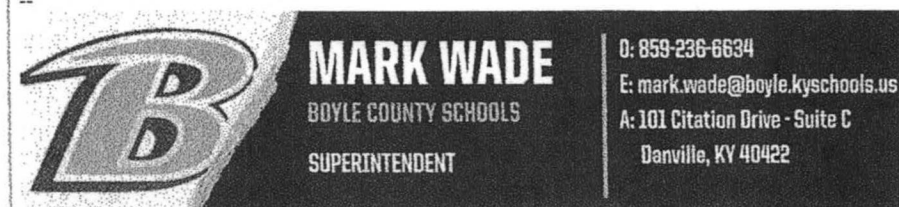
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From: Stephanie Wade stephanie.wade@boyle.kyschools.us

Subject: Draft list for SB150/SB5

Date: August 25, 2023 at 3:42 PM

To: Steve Karsner steve.karsner@boyle.kyschools.us, Wade, Mark- Principal Boyle County High School
mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us

SW

Good Afternoon,

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MAJIS - Instructional Leadership

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From: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Re: Draft list for SB150/SB5
Date: August 30, 2023 at 3:35 PM
To: Stephanie Wade stephanie.wade@boyle.kyschools.us
Cc: Steve Karsner steve.karsner@boyle.kyschools.us



Steve,

Can you send this list to David Christopher and let him know these do not need to be pulled and can be returned to circulation? Actually, lets talk about it when you can.

Thanks,
Mark

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From: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Out of office Re: SB150 library books
Date: September 14, 2023 at 11:17 AM
To: sstorz1@yahoo.com



I will be out of the office on September 13-14 for professional development. I will respond to emails as soon as possible.

Thanks,
Mark Wade

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From: S Storz sstorz1@yahoo.com
Subject: SB150 library books
Date: September 12, 2023 at 8:23 PM
To: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us



Hi Mr Wade,

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To this end, I'd like to request a current and updated list of the titles that have been removed from all five district schools.

I am asking that this be provided in electronic form.

Thank you,
Shonna

From: Mark Wade mark.wade@boyle.kyschools.us
Subject: Re: SB150 library books
Date: September 13, 2023 at 10:40 PM
To: S Storz sstorz1@yahoo.com
Cc: Sandy Jupin sandy.jupin@boyle.kyschools.us



Ms. Storz,

I have received, and I am working on your request. I do ask that you fill out the attached form to clearly communicate the request, but it is not mandatory.

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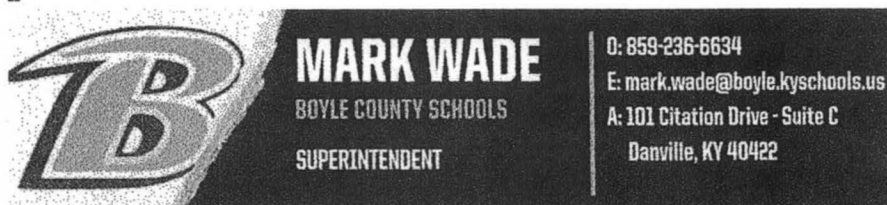
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Form OAG-01, June 2021

Request to Inspect Public Records

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Date: September 14, 2023 at 9:18 AM
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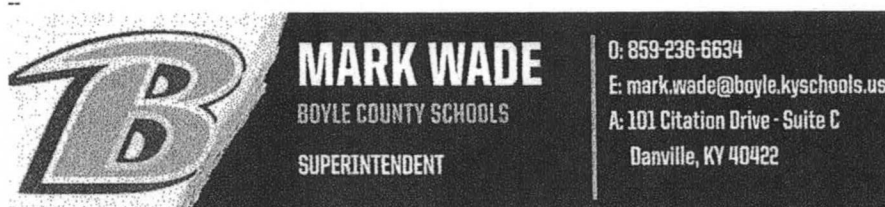
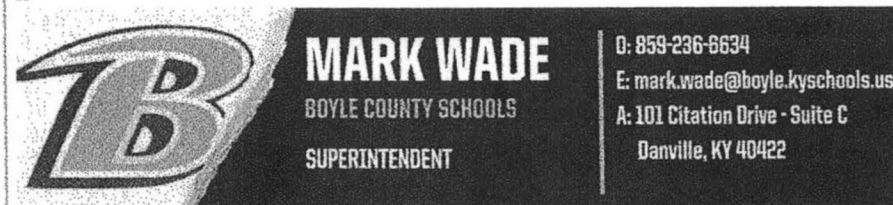
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